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Each reference was cited in a Supplementary Search Reports, both dated August 12, 2010, which issued in corresponding European Patent Application Nos. 04801759.4 and 06717153.8 and their relevance discussed therein. A copy of the foreign search reports are attached for the Examiner's information.

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